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SUBJECT: REPRESENTATIONS TO HMG RE ROLLS ENGINE FOR

BOEING 747

REF: LONDON 10291

1. DEPARTMENT INFORMED PRATT AND WHITNEY OFFICIAL AUGUST 14, ON BASIS OF REFTEL, THAT EMBASSY LONDON EXPRESSED TO UKG THE U.S. CONCERN OVER IMPLICATIONS FOR U.S. AIRCRAFT ENGINE MANUFACTURERS OF POSSIBLE PLAN TO SUPPORT DEVELOPMENT OF NEW ROLLS RB-211-524 ENGINE. WE ALSO INFORMED PRATT AND WHITNEY THAT, IN RESPONSE TO EMBASSY'S REPRESENTATION, UKG SAID DECISION HAS NOT YET BEEN MADE WHETHER TO BUILD THE RB-524 ENGINE AND GAVE ASSURANCE THAT BRITISH AIRWAYS IS UNDER NO PRESSURE WHATSOEVER FROM UKG REGARDING WHICH ENGINE IT SHOULD CHOOSE FOR NEW 747 ORDERS.

2. EXPRESSING APPRECIATION FOR EFFORTS OF USG, PRATT

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AND WHITNEY REPRESENTATIVE SAID NEWS THEY HAVE RECEIVED

FROM COMPANY SOURCES RECENTLY ON THIS QUESTION CONTINUES  
TO BE DISQUIETING. THEY UNDERSTAND PLANS ARE GOING  
FORWARD TO DEVELOP THE 524 ENGINE, ALTHOUGH NO FINAL  
DECISION REACHED AS YET, AND THAT TENTATIVE AGREEMENT

HAS BEEN REACHED BETWEEN BRITISH AIRWAYS AND BOEING TO  
POWER NEW ORDERS OF BOEING 747'S WITH THE 524 ENGINE.  
PRATT AND WHITNEY REPRESENTATIVE MAINTAINED THAT  
PERFORMANCE OF P-W ENGINES NOW INSTALLED IN 747 EXCEEDS  
THAT OF PROPOSED 524 ENGINE, AND, THEREFORE, COMMERCIAL  
CONSIDERATIONS SHOULD ARGUE IN FAVOR OF CONTINUED  
PURCHASE OF P-W ENGINES. HE REQUESTED THAT DEPARTMENT  
KEEP PRATT AND WHITNEY ABREAST OF SUBSEQUENT INFORMATION  
IT MAY RECEIVE ON THESE DEVELOPMENTS.

3. EMBASSY REQUESTED TO MAKE CERTAIN UKG CONTINUES TO  
BE AWARE OF OUR CONCERN IN THIS MATTER AND TO REPORT  
FURTHER DEVELOPMENTS. WE WOULD ALSO BE INTERESTED IN  
EMBASSY'S ASSESSMENT OF VALIDITY OF HUBBACK'S ASSERTION  
(REFTEL PARA 2) THAT UKG NOT APPLYING ANY PRESSURE TO  
BRITISH AIRWAYS RE ENGINE PURCHASES FOR NEW 747'S. KISSINGER

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